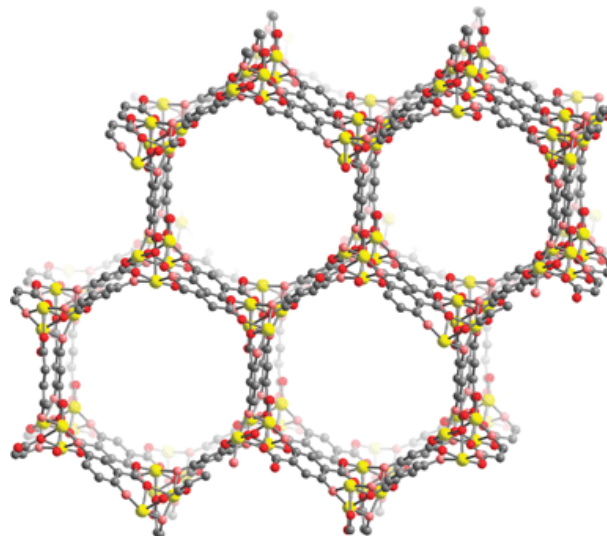


CO₂ Binding in Metal-Organic Frameworks

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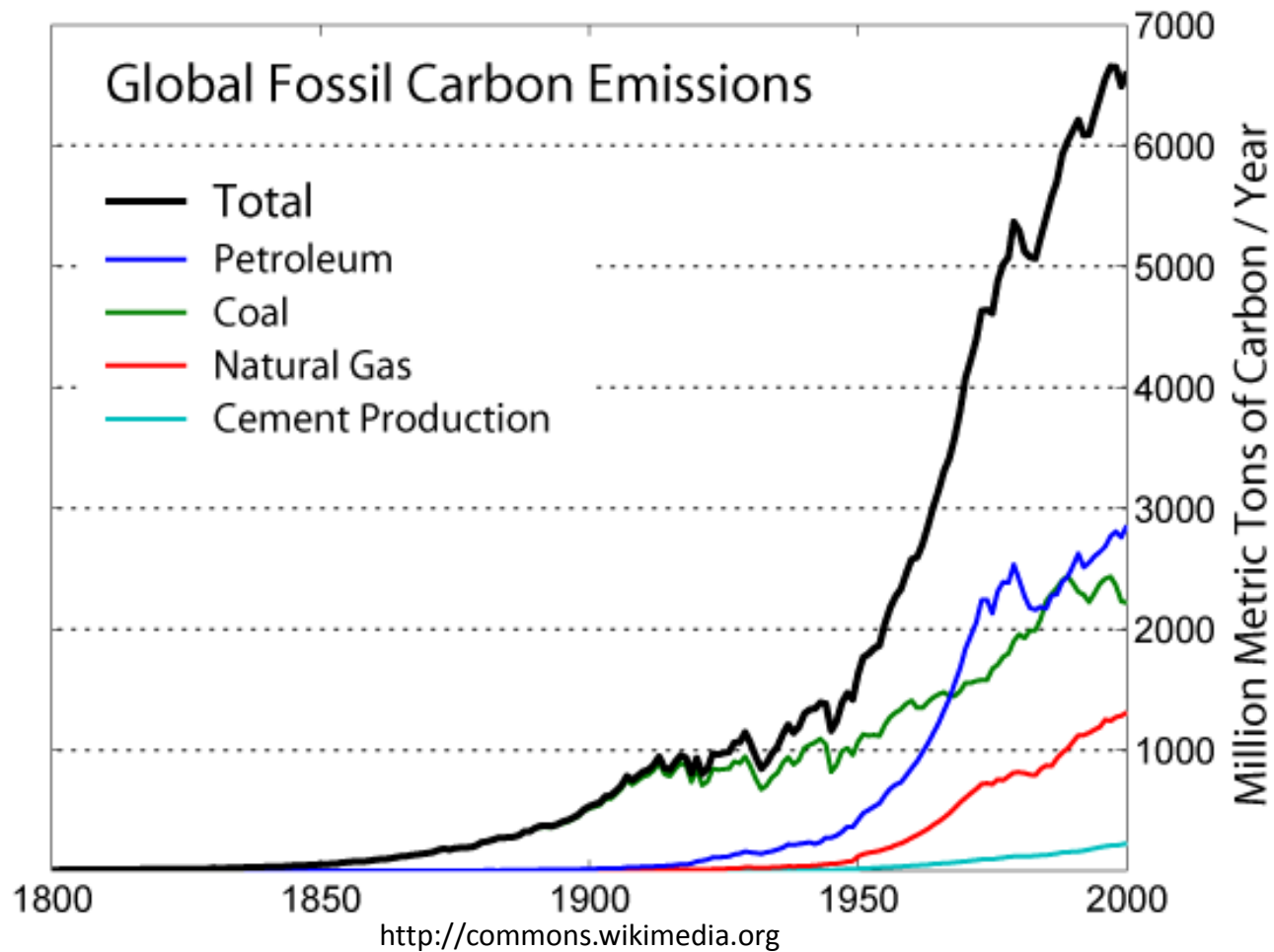
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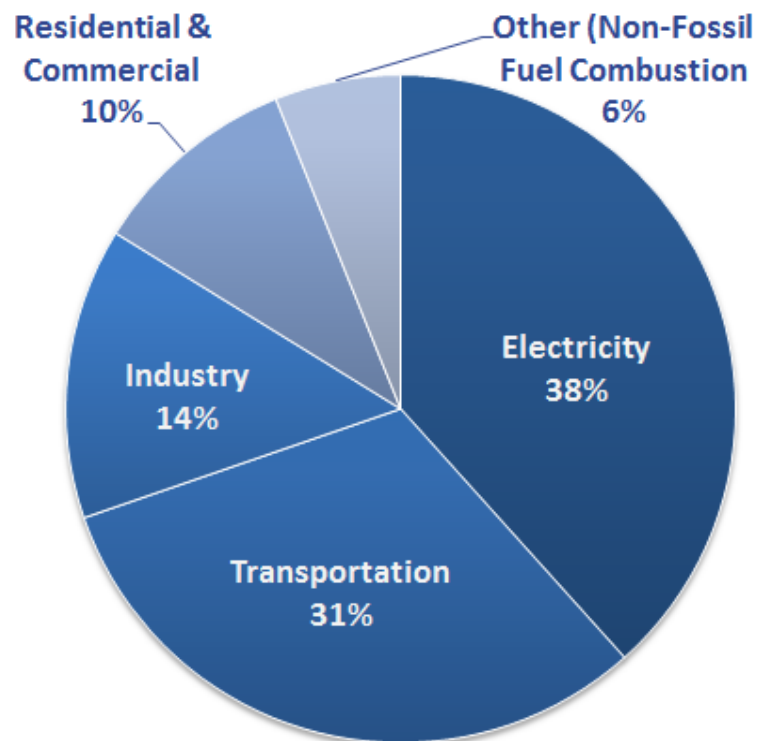
- **Background**
- **Applications**
- **Current work** at NIST
- **Future work** after SURF



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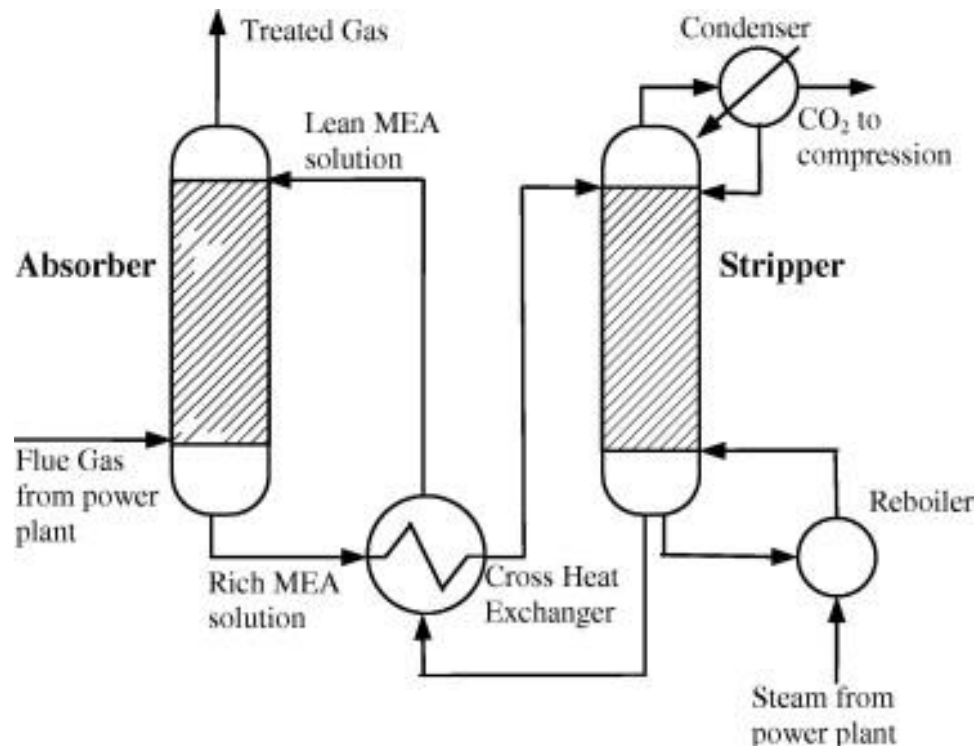


Today's CO₂ Problem



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Current Industrial Capture of CO₂ – Monoethanolamine (MEA) absorption

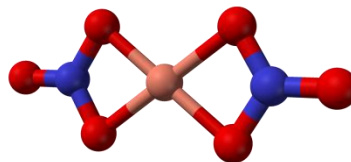


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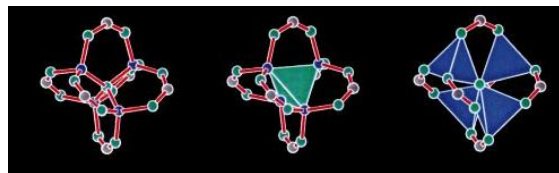
- Dry ice production
- Carbonation of beverages
- Urea production
- High cost in energy and capital
 - MEA reduces efficiency by 30%
- MEA is also toxic
- More efficient, less costly process are being developed
 - MOFs?



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Cationic metal

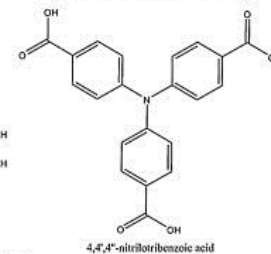
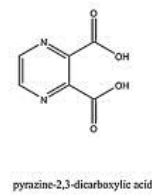
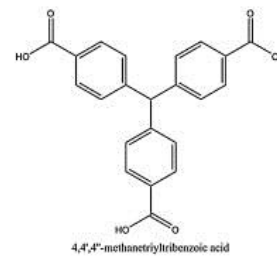
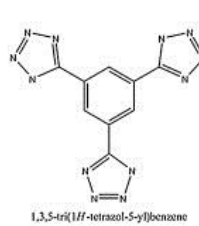
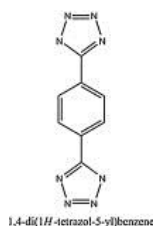
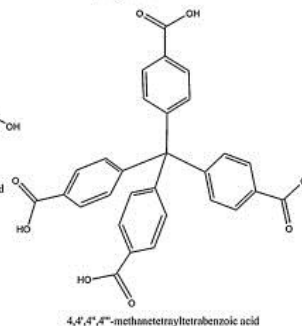
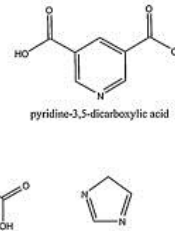
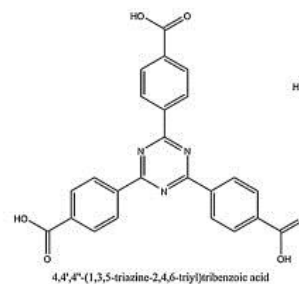
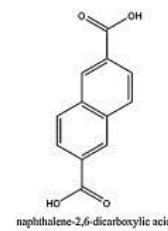
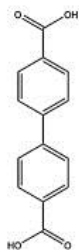
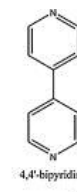
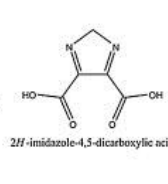
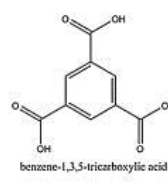
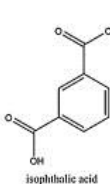
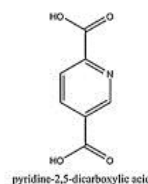
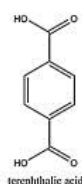


Cationic metal cluster

- MOFs are metal cations or clusters connected through organic ligands to form rigid 3-D, often **porous**, structures

- Structure allows for much diversity among MOFs (synthetic precursors not constrained to those illustrated here)

- Synthetic make-up gives rise to diverse pore dimensionality, incredibly large surface areas, among other unique properties



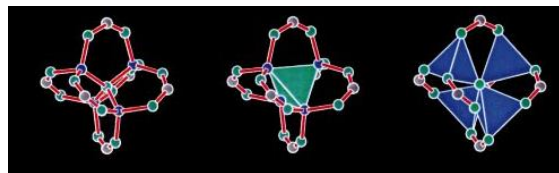
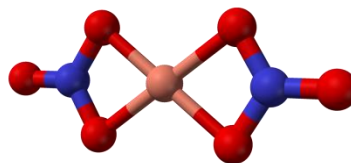
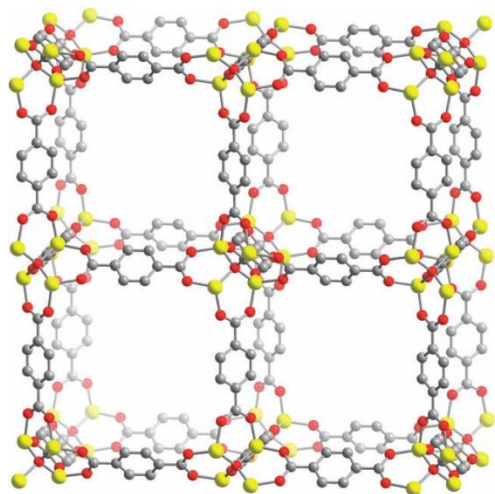
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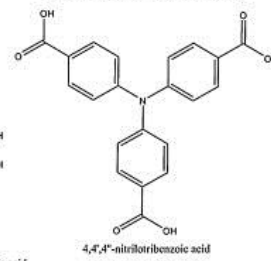
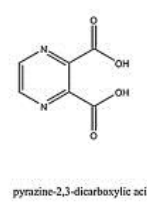
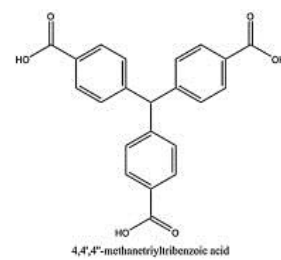
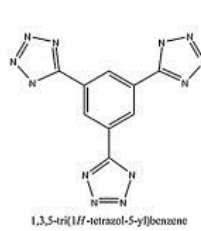
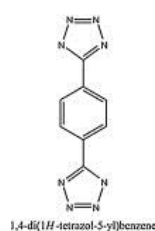
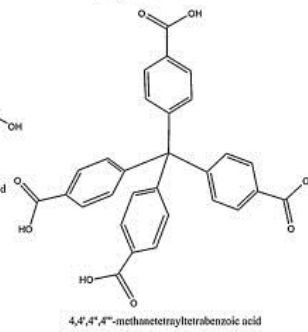
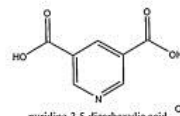
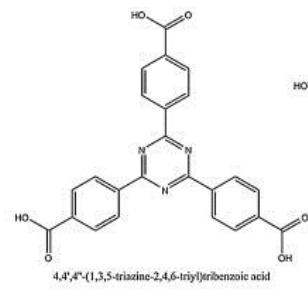
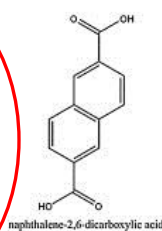
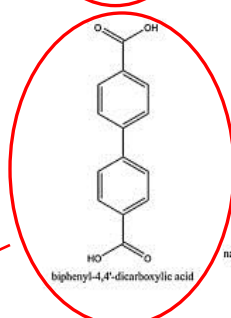
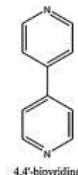
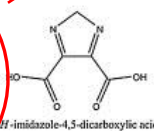
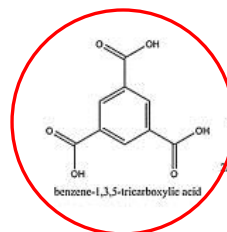
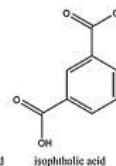
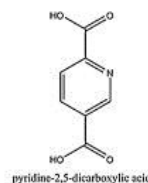
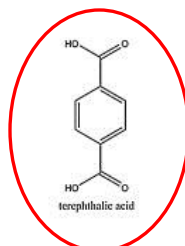
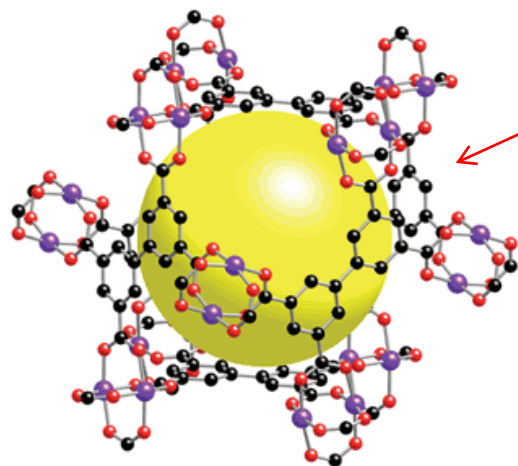
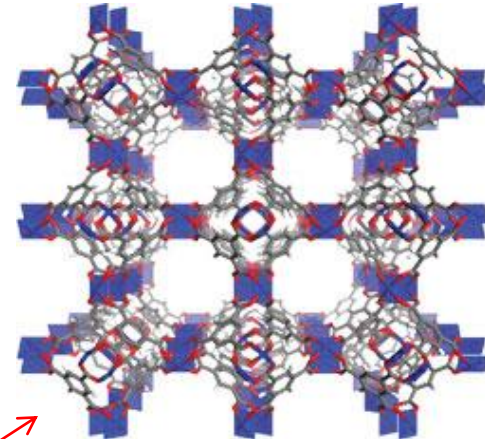
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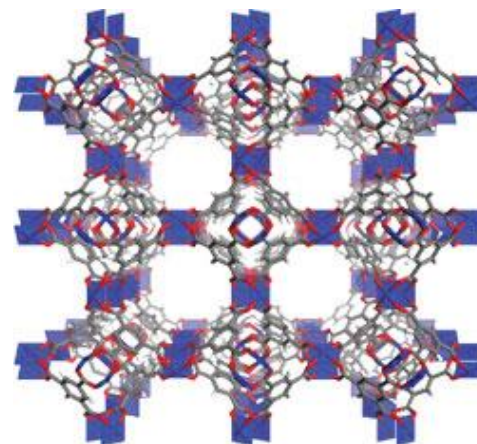
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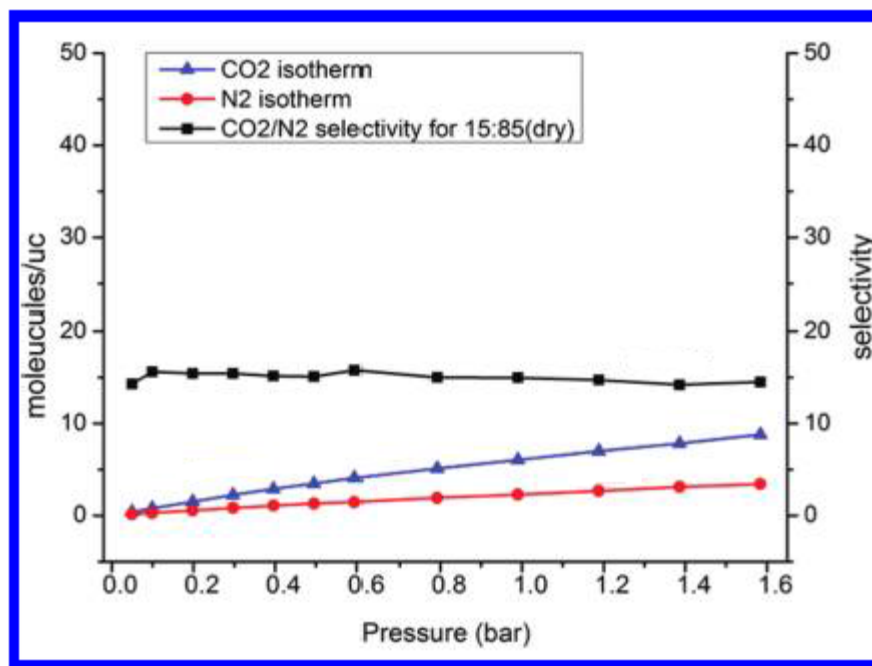
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Applications of MOFs

- Catalysis
- H₂ storage
- Gas separations
 - Reversible CO₂ capture



MOF
Cu₃(BTC)₂



Research at the NCNR

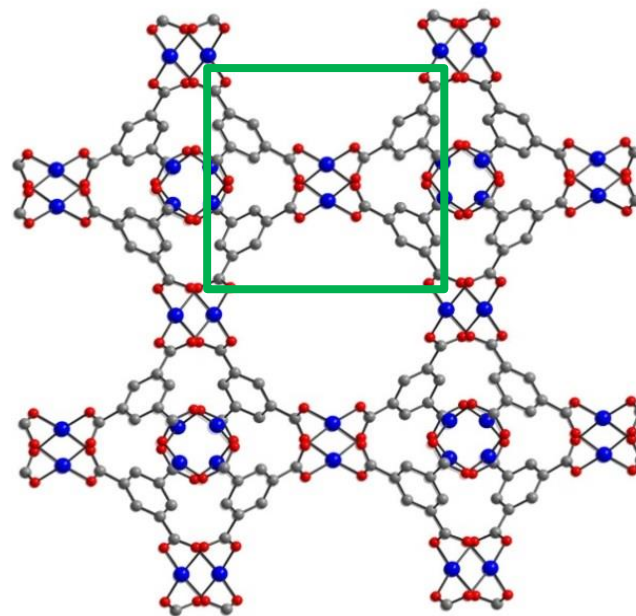
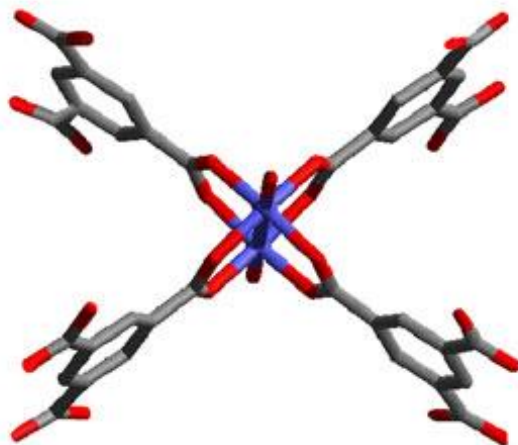
Synthesis and CO₂ adsorption
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Determination of CO₂ binding sites

3-Dimensional Structure of $M_3(BTC)_2$

- As synthesized structure contains solvent molecules
- Solvent is easily removed upon heating
- Structural features attractive for gas adsorption:
 - 1 open metal site
 - 2 large channels or pores
 - 1 small pore

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Carbon – Gray
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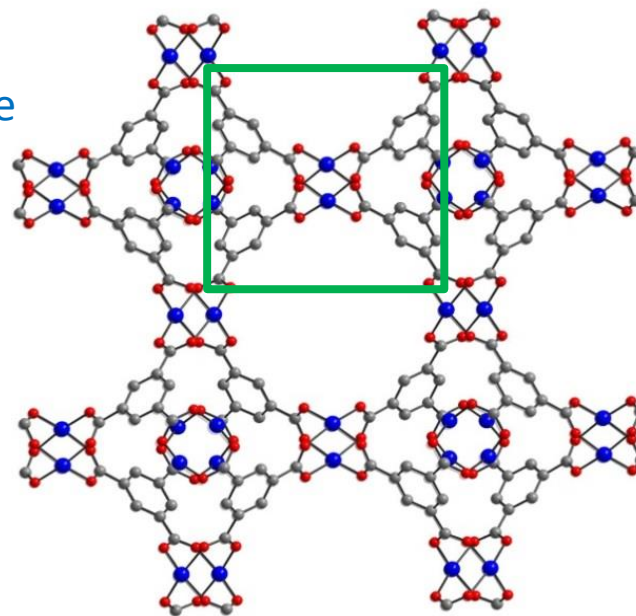
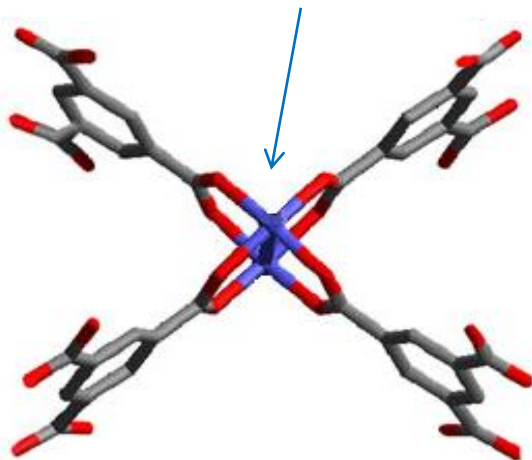


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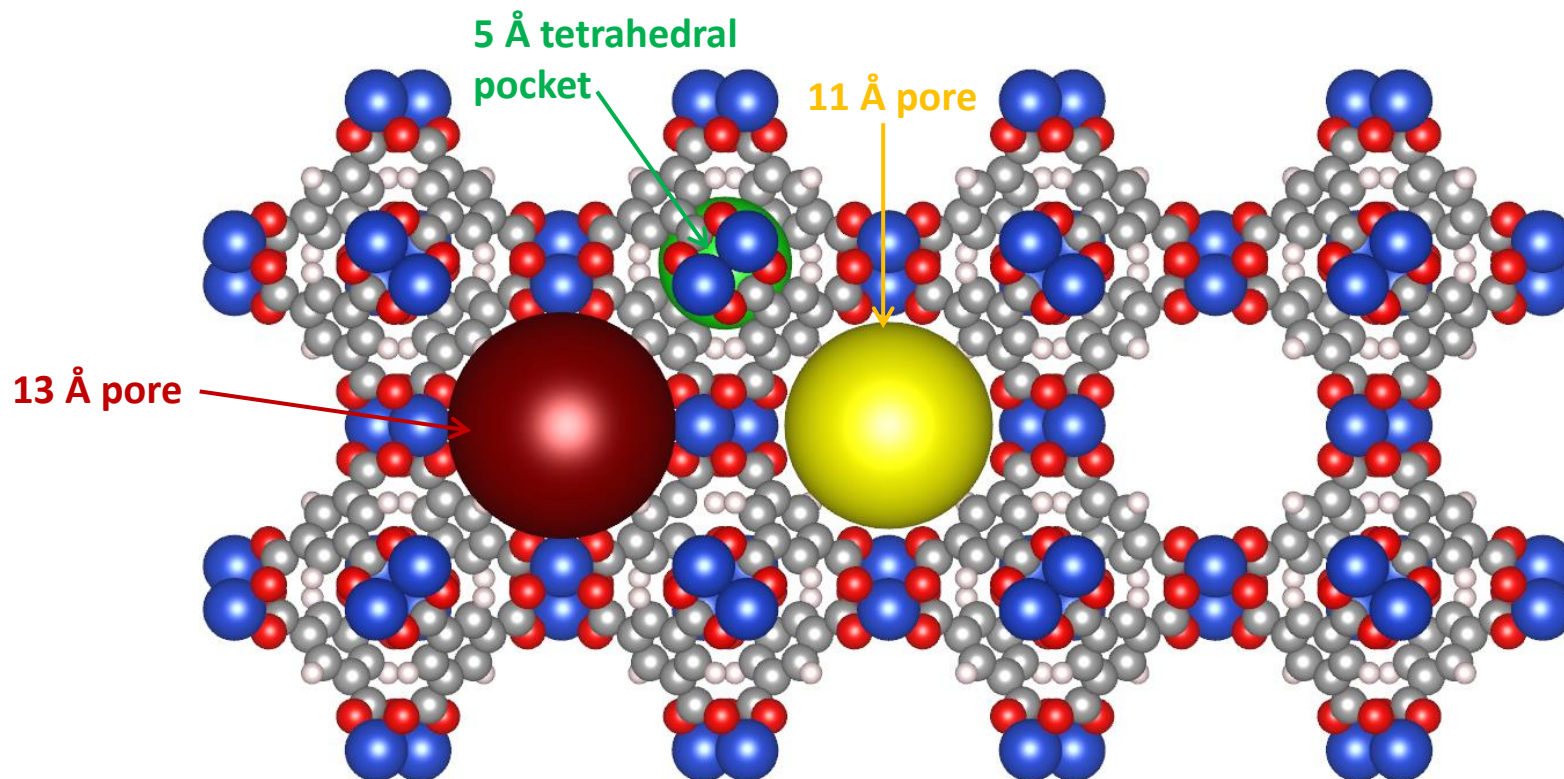
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Coordinatively-
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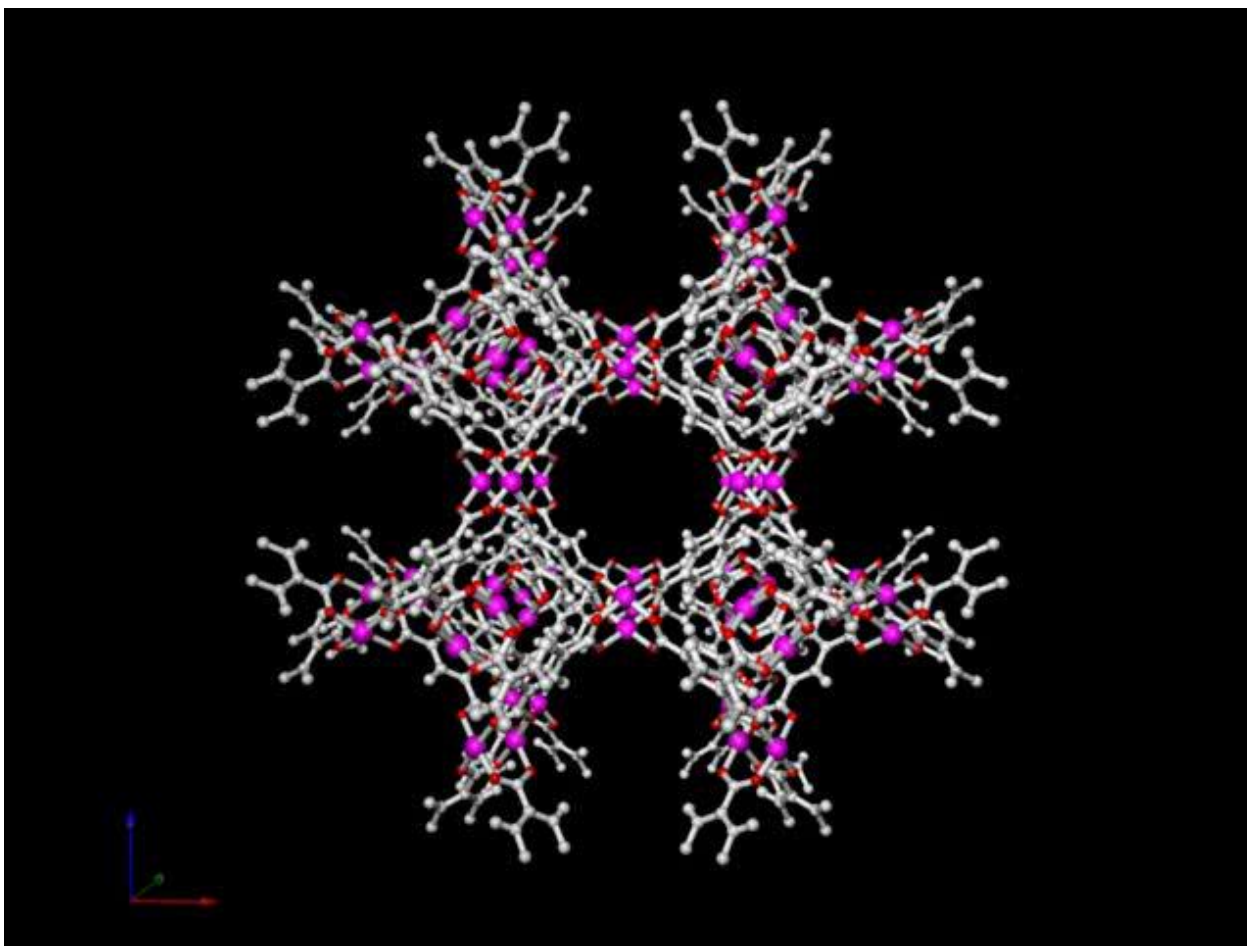
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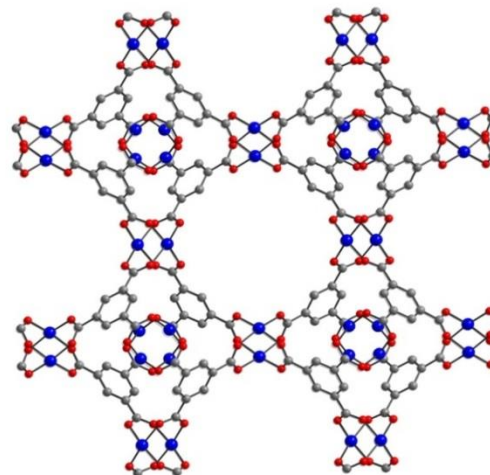
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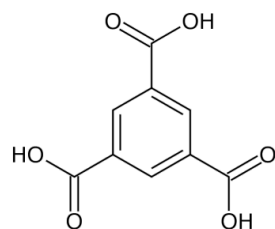
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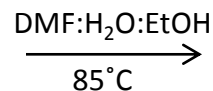


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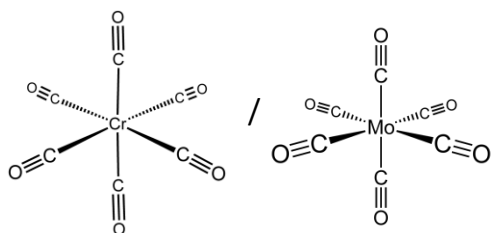
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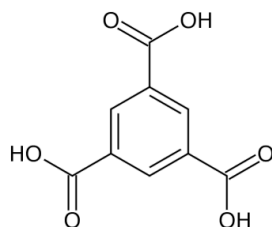


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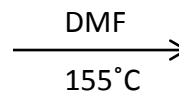


Chromium/Molybdenum
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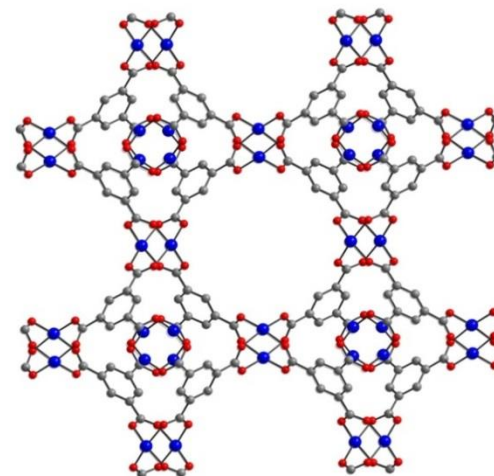
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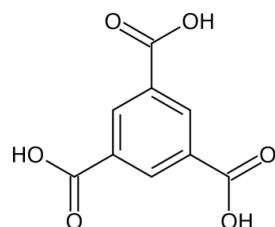
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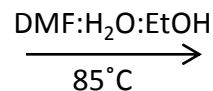


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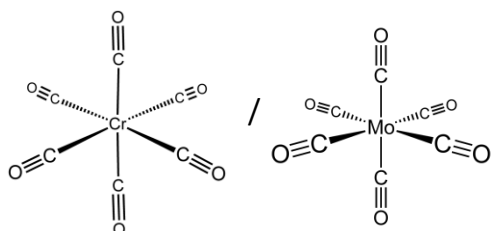
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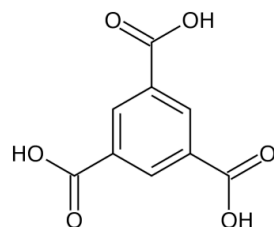


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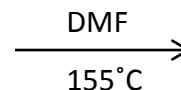


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Neutron Powder Diffraction

Bragg's Law:

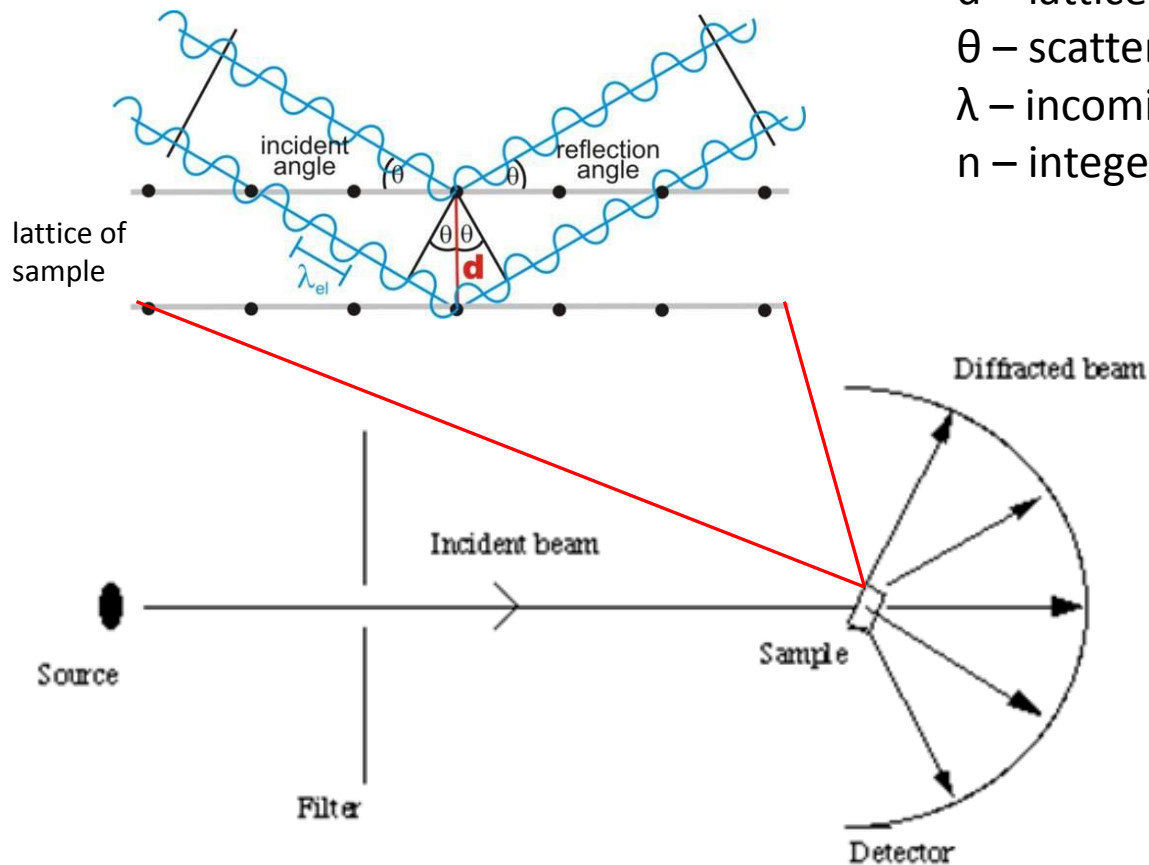
$$2d \sin \theta = n\lambda$$

d – lattice spacing

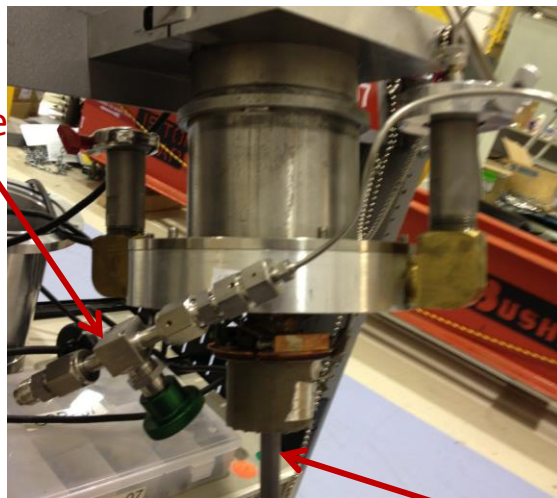
θ – scattering angle

λ – incoming wavelength

n – integer value



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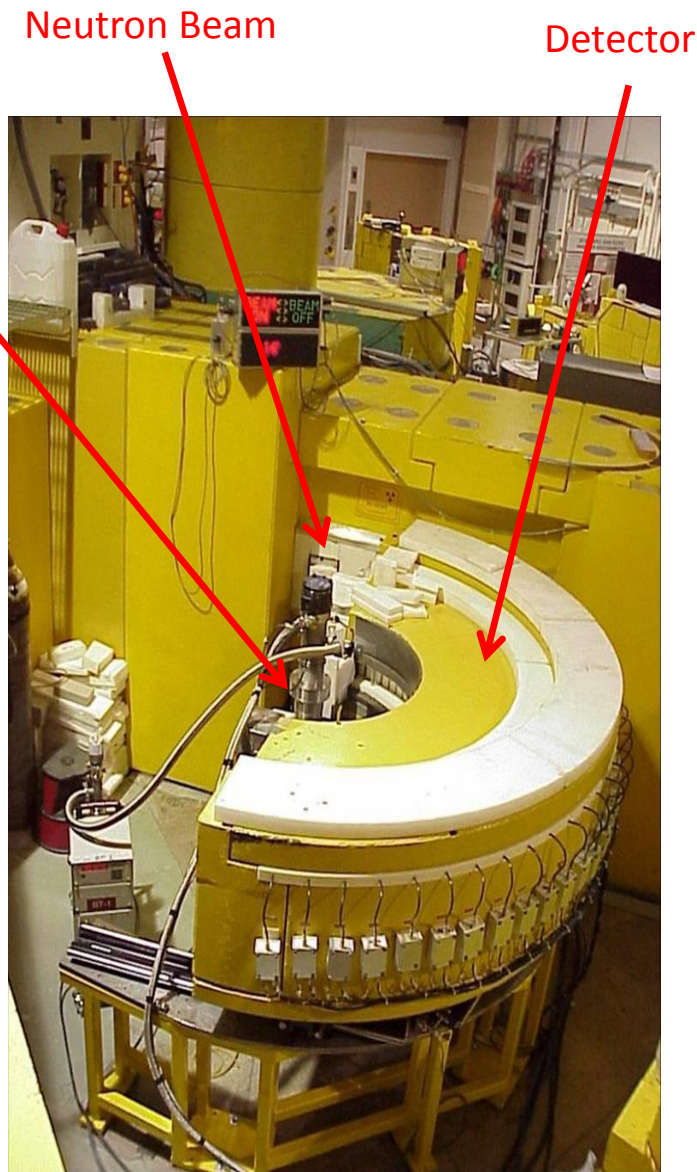


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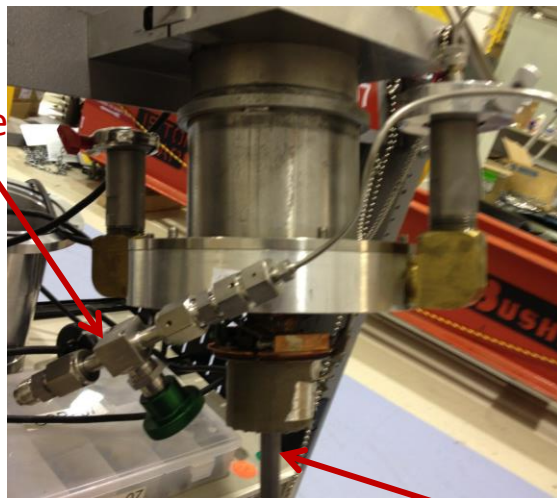
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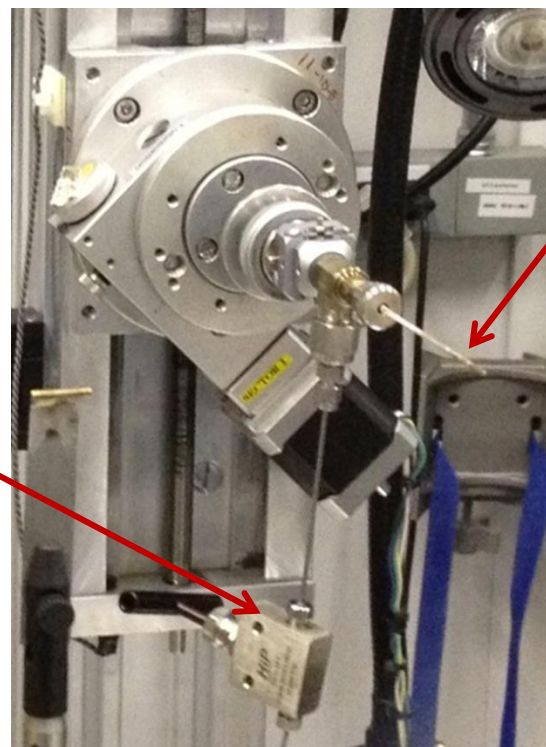


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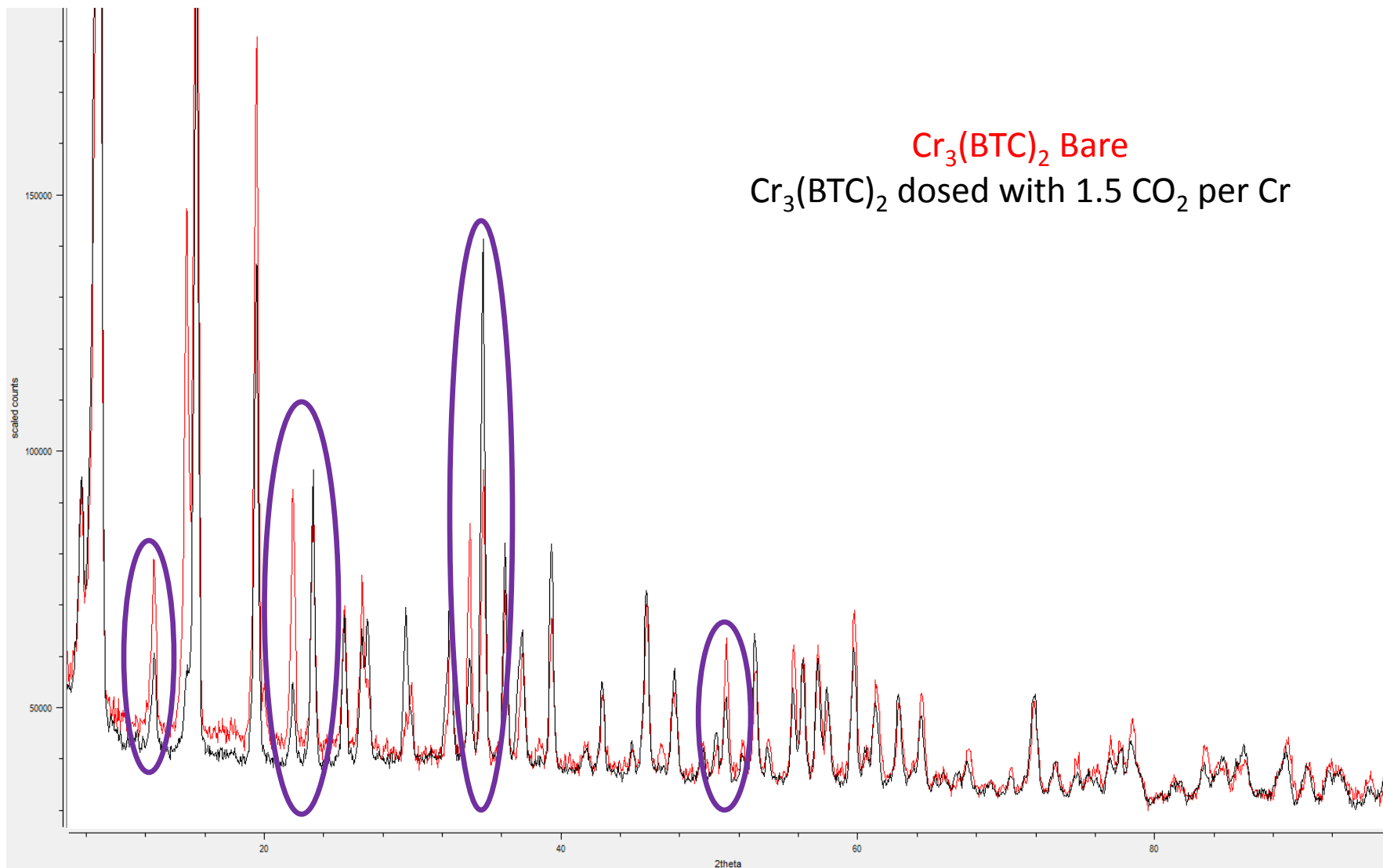


X-ray powder diffraction set-up

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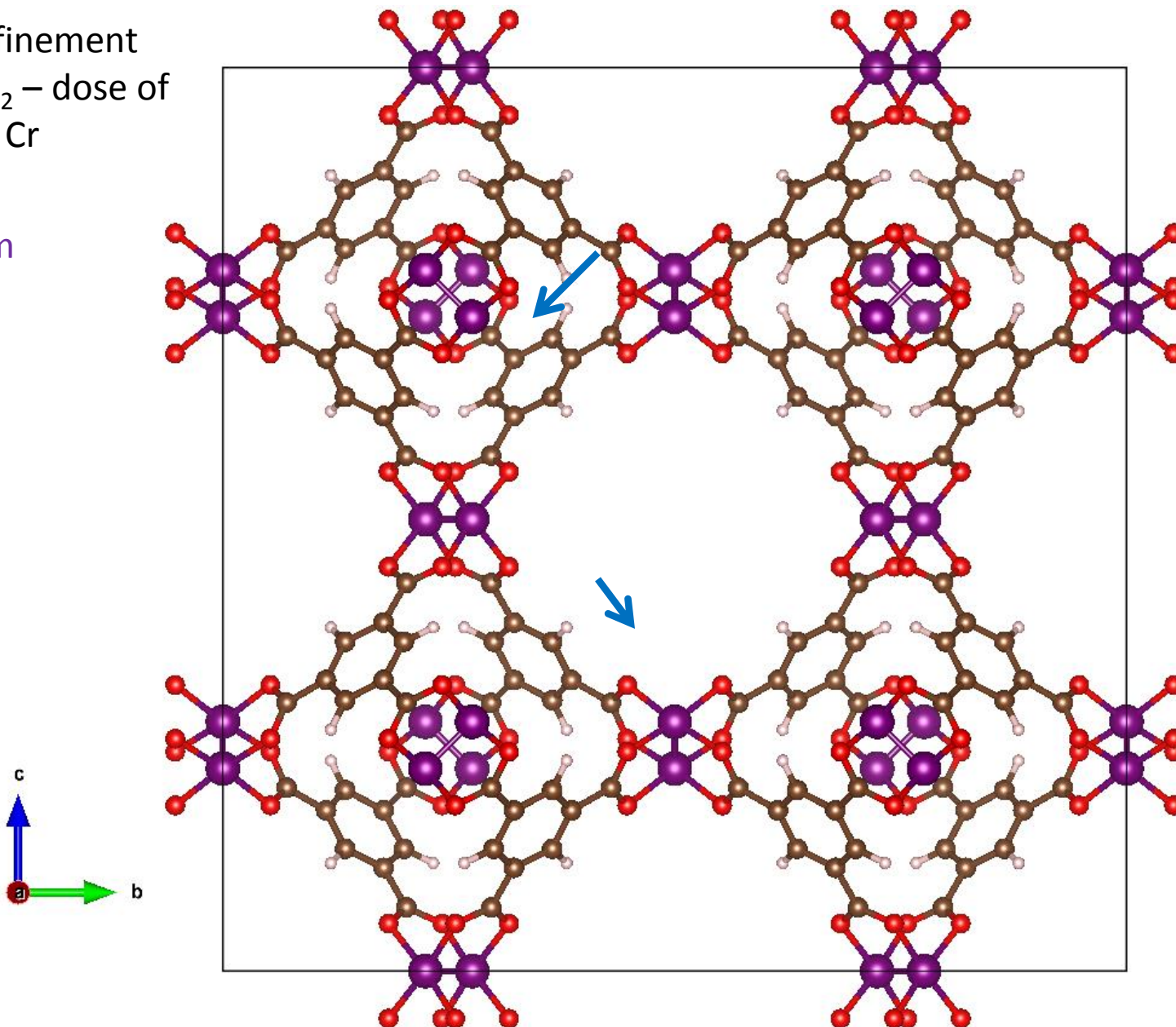
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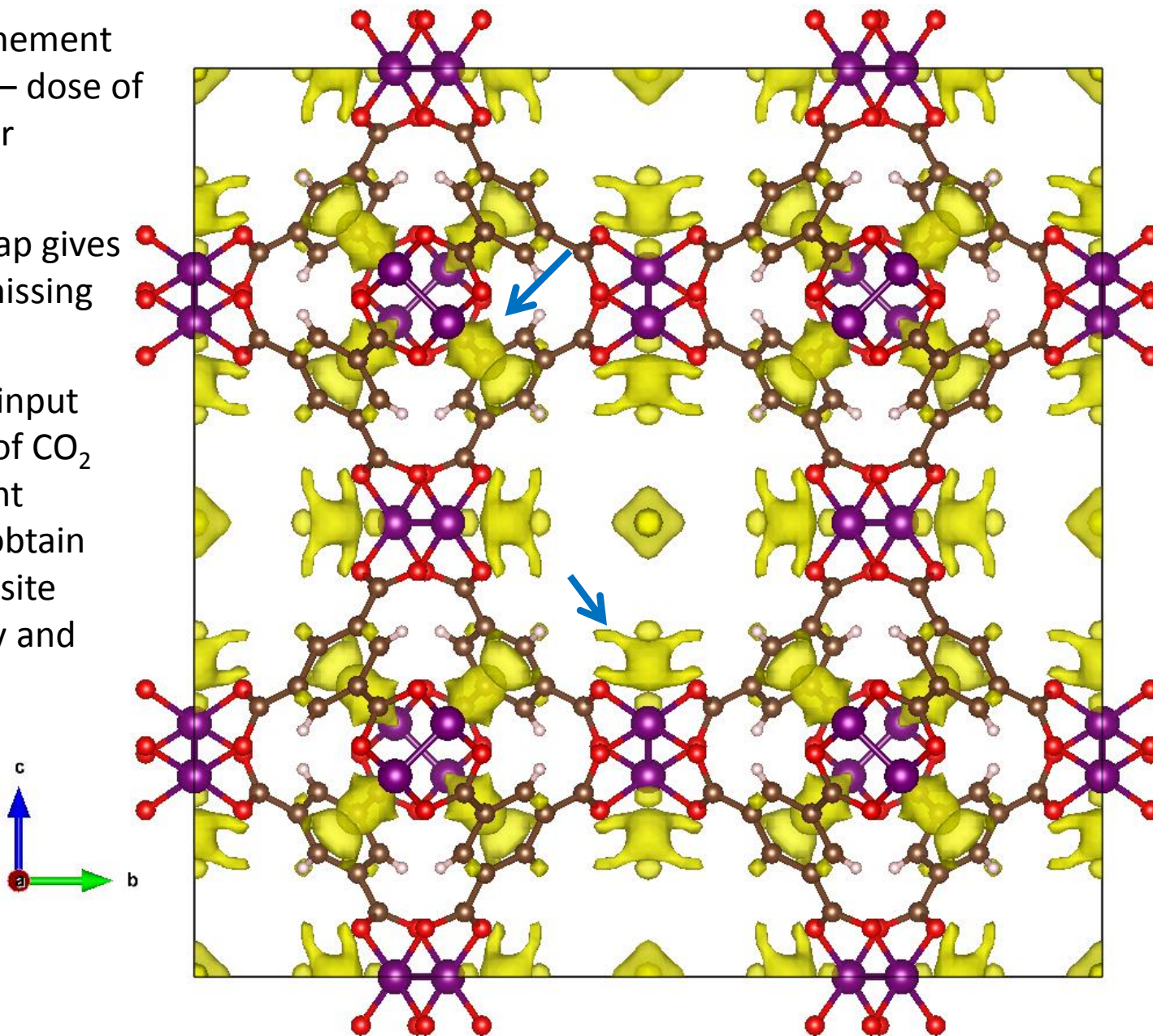
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Chromium
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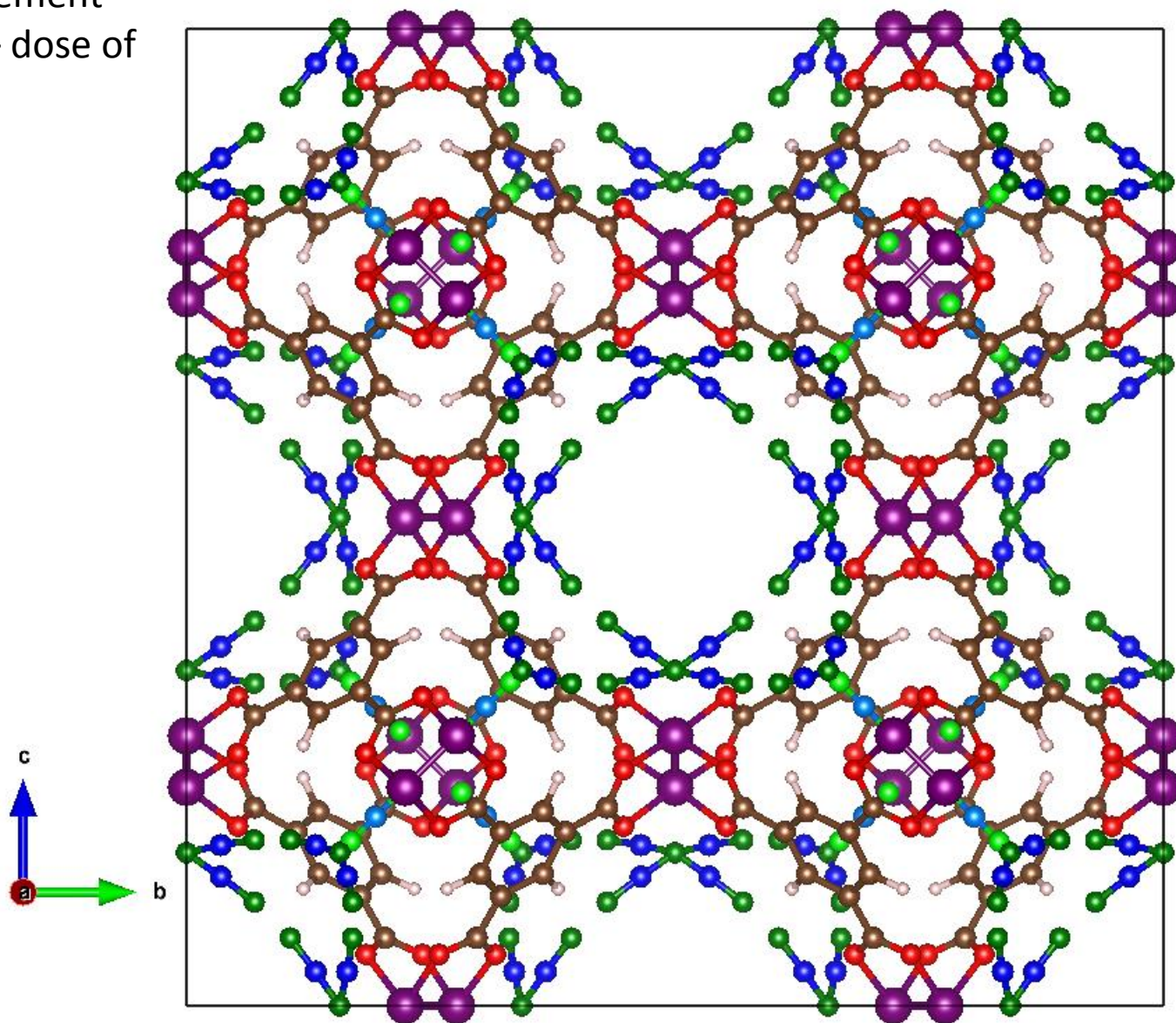


Rietveld Refinement for $\text{Cr}_3(\text{BTC})_2$ – dose of 1.5 CO_2 per Cr

- Fourier map gives areas of missing density
- Manually input locations of CO_2
- Refinement cycles to obtain best fit of site occupancy and location

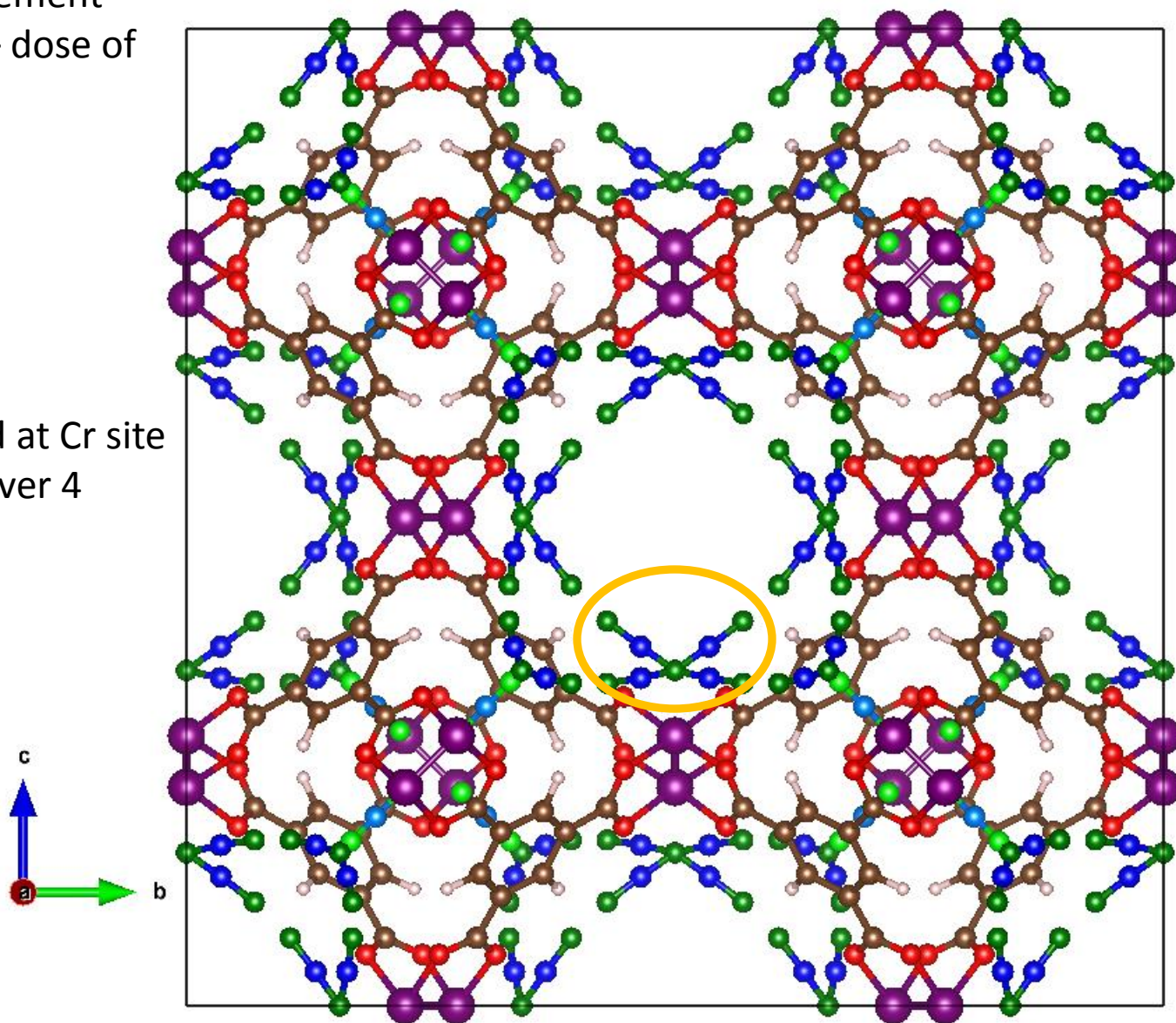


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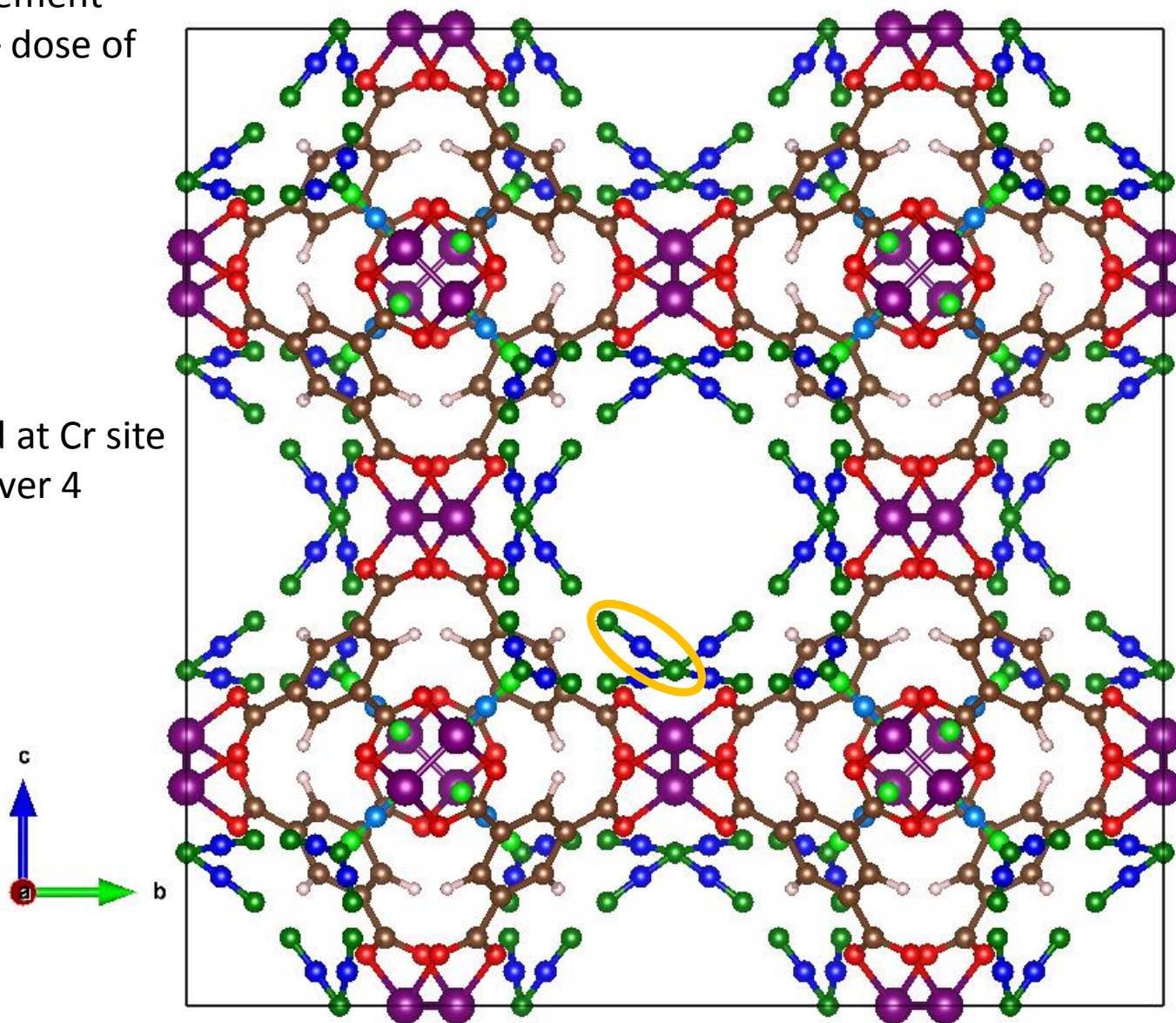
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- CO_2 modeled at Cr site
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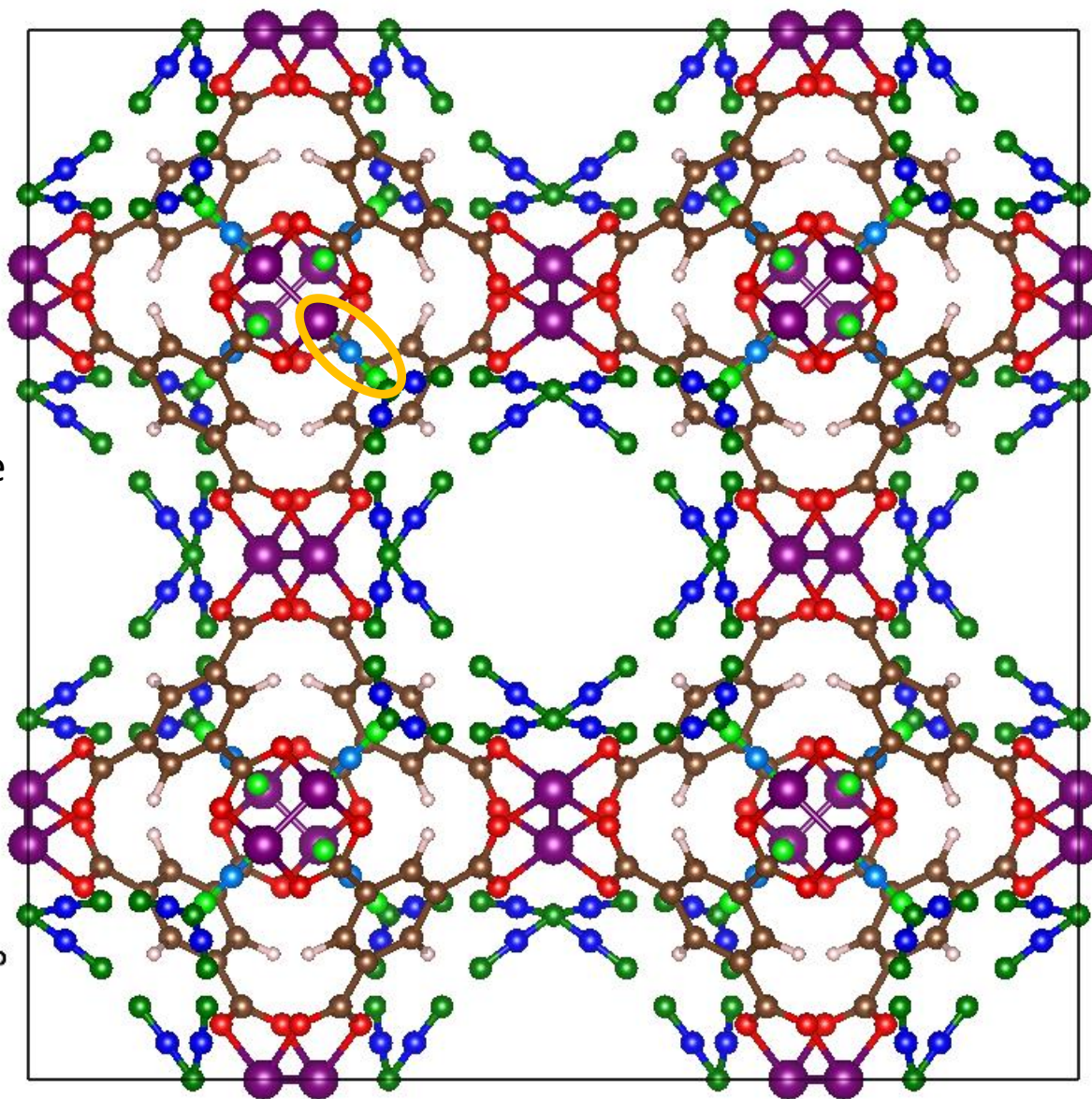
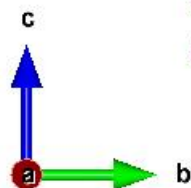
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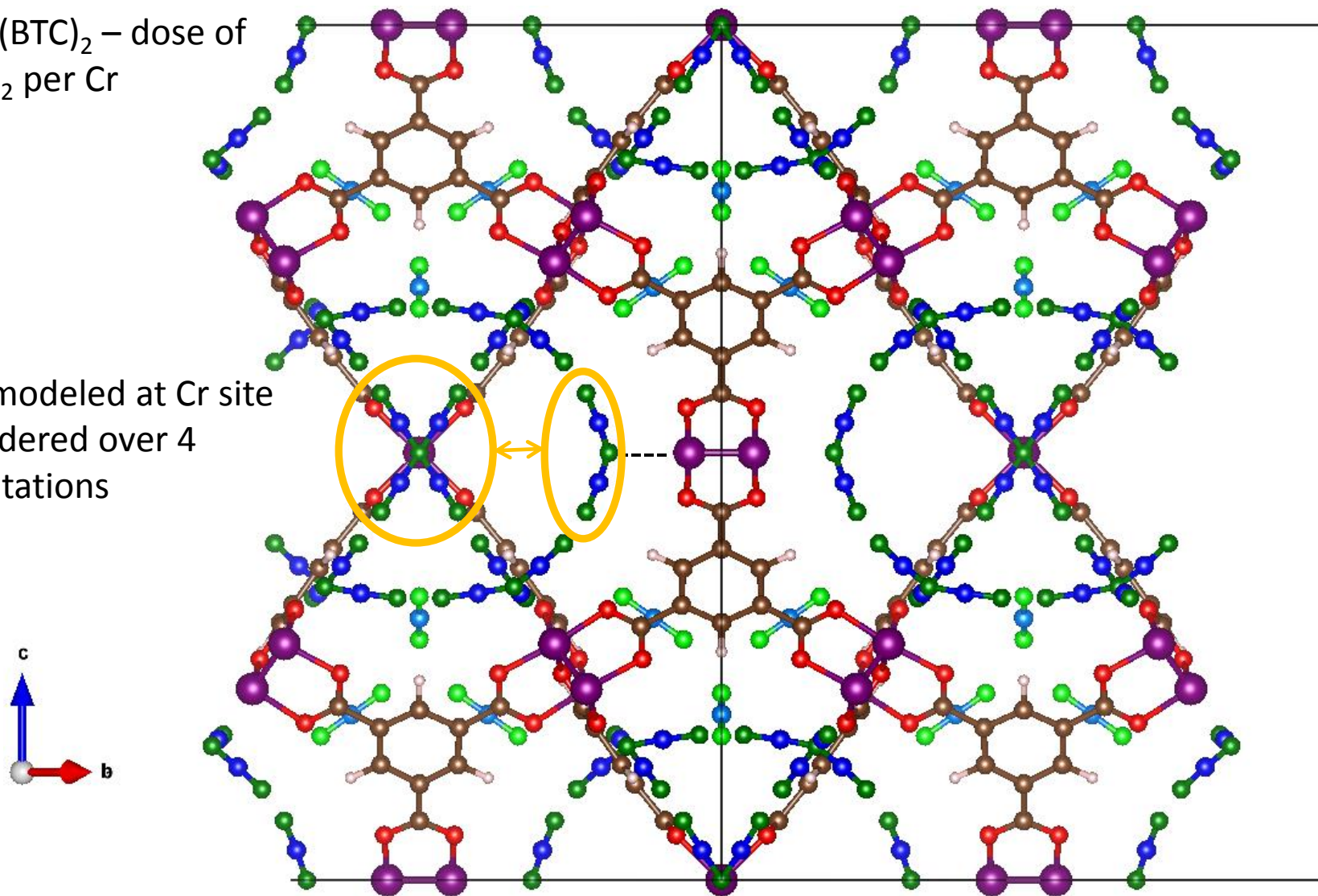
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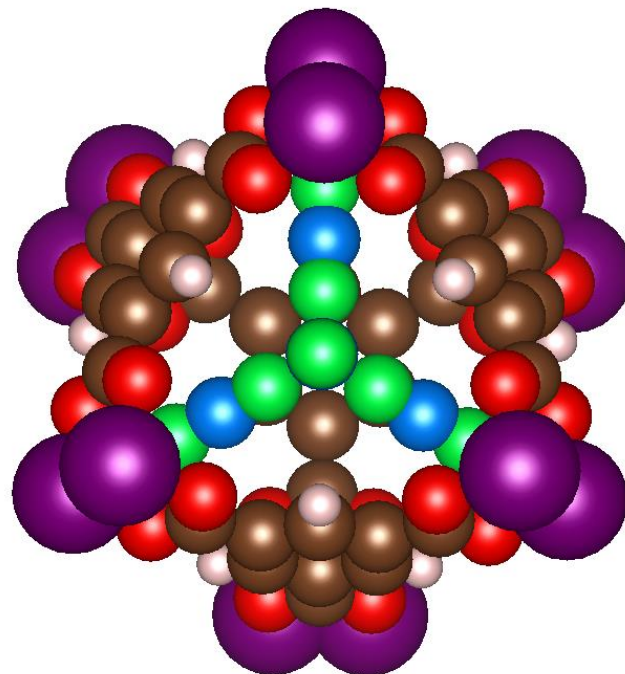
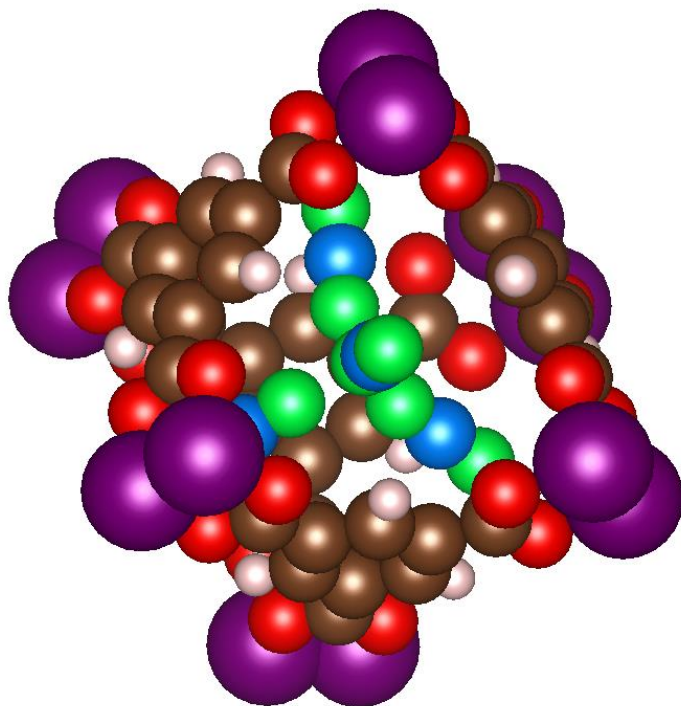
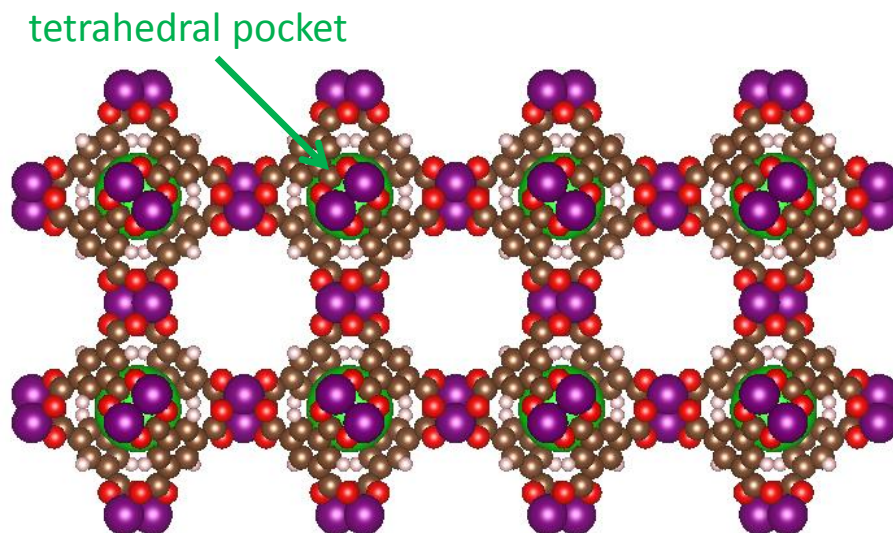
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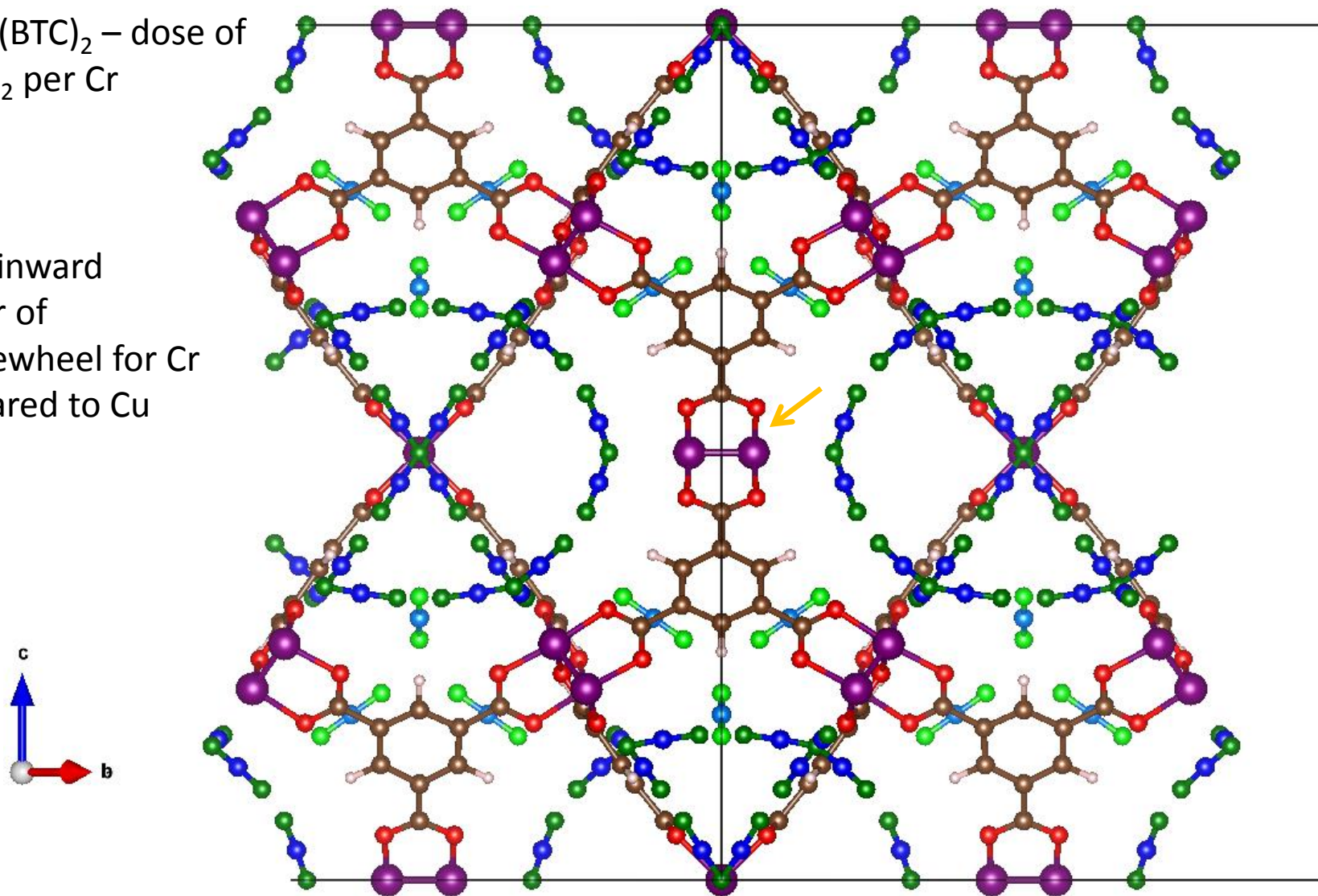
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Slight inward
pucker of
paddlewheel for Cr
compared to Cu



Comparison of $\text{Cr}_3(\text{BTC})_2$ and $\text{Cu}_3(\text{BTC})_2$

1.5 CO_2 : $\text{Cr}_3(\text{BTC})_2$

93 % metal sites occupied
68 % pocket occupied

1.0 CO_2 : $\text{Cu}_3(\text{BTC})_2$

42 % metal sites occupied
34 % pocket occupied

2.5 CO_2 : $\text{Cu}_3(\text{BTC})_2$

80 % metal sites occupied
70 % pocket occupied
23 % large pore site #1 occupied
14 % large pore site #2 occupied

Cr---OCO distance: $\sim 2.58 \text{ \AA}$

Cu---OCO distance: $\sim 2.42 \text{ \AA}$

Conclusions

- Primary CO_2 adsorption sites for both $\text{Cr}_3(\text{BTC})_2$ and $\text{Cu}_3(\text{BTC})_2$ found at:
 - unsaturated-metal center
 - inside tetrahedral pocket
- CO_2 displays slight preference towards metal site for both Cr and Cu, but both sites fill simultaneously
- Shorter interaction distance between CO_2 and unsaturated metal site for $\text{Cu}_3(\text{BTC})_2$ over $\text{Cr}_3(\text{BTC})_2$ due to pucker of Cr paddlewheel

Future Work

- More gas studies on $\text{Cr}_3(\text{BTC})_2$
- Finish synthesis of $\text{Mo}_3(\text{BTC})_2$
- Perform Neutron Diffraction Studies on $\text{Mo}_3(\text{BTC})_2$

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